

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 28 with the following rewritten paragraph:

Advantageously, an embodiment of the composition is a nutritional composition which comprises at least one prebiotic. Preferably, the prebiotic comprises an oligosachharide produced from glucose, galactose, xylose, maltose, sucrose, lactose, starch, xylan, hemicellulose, inulin, or a mixture thereof. More preferably, the oligosaccharide comprises fructo-oligosaccharide. Most preferably, the prebiotic is a mixture of fructo-oligosaccharide and inulin sold under the trademark PREBIO1® or a mixture of oligofructose sold under the trademark RAFTILOSE® and inulin sold under the trademark RAFTILINE®, comprising PREBIO1® or a mixture of commercially available RAFTILOSE® and RAFTILINE®.